

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION SERVICES
MULTIPLE VACANCIES**

**VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION COUNSELOR JOB SERIES
DISABILITY CLAIMS EXAMINER**

These positions are 100% federally funded

POSTING DATE: July 29, 2013

CLOSING DATE: August 5, 2013

The Disability Determination Services Division of the Bureau of Rehabilitation Services (BRS) presently is accepting applications for multiple vacancies in its Disability Claims Examiner /Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor Job Series. Based on experience and qualifications the candidates selected to fill these positions may be hired at the job classification level of Vocational Rehabilitation Assistant Counselor, or Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor. **These positions are 100% federally funded.**

OPEN TO: Current State Employees and the Public

POSITION: Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor / Disability Claims Examiner
Bargaining Unit, P3-B

Job Posting No: 32293, 32297, 32374

SALARY RANGE: EB-21 \$49,219.00 - \$62,591.00 Annually
EB-23 \$52,962.00 - \$68,962.00 Annually

Effective August 26, 2013

EB -21 \$50,696.00 - \$64,469.00

EB -23 \$54,551.00 - \$71,031.00

(Starting salaries will be commensurate with experience and qualifications)

LOCATION: Disability Determination Services
309 Wawarme Avenue
Hartford, CT. 06114

RESPONSIBILITIES: Adjudicates claims for disability benefits filed under the Federal Social Security Administration; analyzes and evaluates medical, psychiatric, vocational and other evidence for consistency, validity and sufficiency. Confers with medical and other consultants to resolve complex problems; determines need for consultative examinations in fields of medicine, psychiatry, psychology and vocational guidance to obtain additional evidentiary documentation. Evaluates total evidence in accordance with Social Security criteria and determines capacity of claimant to engage in substantial gainful activity. Assesses vocational rehabilitation potential and prepares written determinations to document decisions. Performs related tasks as required.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILL AND ABILITY: Knowledge of disabling conditions and medical terminology; considerable ability to gather, analyze, and evaluate significant information pertinent to the determination of eligibility for benefits and to rehabilitation; ability to communicate effectively; ability to write complete and concise decisions; some supervisory ability.

EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING: General – A Master's degree from an accredited college with a major course of study in rehabilitation counseling, psychology, education, vocational guidance, or a related behavioral or social science program. Preference will be given to those with a Master's degree in vocational rehabilitation or those currently in a Master's degree vocational rehabilitation program.

Substitution allowed: For the Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor job classification level a Bachelor's degree from an accredited college with a major in one of the disciplines noted above and five (5) years of experience as a Disability Claims Examiner in a State Disability Determination Services agency.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE: Candidates who meet the above requirements should complete a State of Connecticut Application for Examination or Employment (CT-HR-12). Current state employees should include their two (2) most recent service ratings. Due to the large number of applications received, we cannot confirm receipt of applications. **Incomplete, blank or late applications will not be considered. No fax copies will be accepted. Please mail your completed State of Connecticut Application for Examination or Employment (CT-HR-12) to:**

Sabrina Betts, Human Resources Specialist
Department of Rehabilitation Services
25 Sigourney Street – Human Resources, 6th Floor
Hartford, CT 06106

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED AND POSTMARKED BY MONDAY, August 5, 2013,
CLOSE OF BUSINESS

The CT-HR-12 Application Form may be downloaded from the State of Connecticut's Department of Administrative Services Human Resources Services Website at: [www.das.state.ct.us/exam/default.asp#APPLICATION FORMS](http://www.das.state.ct.us/exam/default.asp#APPLICATION_FORMS).

The State of Connecticut is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer and strongly encourages the applications of women, minorities, and persons with disabilities.